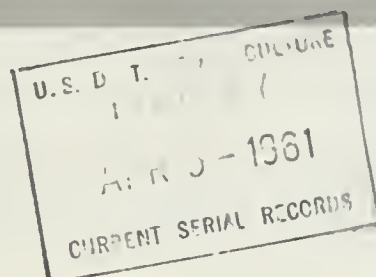


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WORLD TRADE IN DRY PEAS OVER

6 MILLION BAGS IN 1959

International trade in dry edible peas by reporting countries, totaled 6.3 million bags for calendar year 1959. This is an increase of 700,000 bags (13 percent) over the previous year and 1.5 million bags (32 percent) higher than trade in 1957.

This report includes complete trade returns from 6 major net importing countries and 5 major exporting countries. Totals also include trade with 21 non-reporting countries, mostly minor traders in Africa and East Europe.

In 1959, the European area was a net importer taking 4.6 million bags. West Germany and the United Kingdom were the leading importers getting 1.0 million and 1.8 million bags respectively.

The Netherlands was second only to the United States as an exporter of dry peas, exporting 1.7 million bags in 1959 and importing 600,000. Average export of the Netherlands for the past 3 years has been 1.7 million bags. The U.S. average was 1.4 million.

Since 1950, Venezuela and Cuba have been consistent Latin American markets for U.S. peas, followed by Trinidad and Brazil who have become fair markets in the last 3 years.

The United States exported 1.9 million bags in 1959, an increase of 35 percent over the previous year. Canadian exports of about 200,000 bags in 1959, were below both 1958 and 1957.

Morocco, one of the largest African exporters, in the past 3 years exported an average of almost 300,000 bags annually, which is considerably less than Morocco's 1950-54 average export of 860,000 bags.

PEAS, DRY EDIBLE: World trade, annual 1957-1959 (calendar years)

Reporting countries	1957		1958		1959	
	Export	Import	Export	Import	Export	Import
	1,000 bags 1/	1,000 bags 1/	1,000 bags 1/	1,000 bags 1/	1,000 bags 1/	1,000 bags 1/
Europe:						
Norway	--	--	--	--	--	154
Austria	--	27	--	38	--	41
Belgium	246	199	324	186	341	313
Denmark	121	--	128	33	104	14
France	128	261	42	275	81	299
Germany, West	20	1,022	28	1,050	28	1,083
Sweden	109	20	112	22	39	43
Italy	--	114	--	--	69	69
United Kingdom	--	1,426	--	2,071	--	1,833
Ireland	--	34	--	66	--	--
Switzerland	--	116	--	82	--	67
Netherlands	1,498	285	1,778	311	1,735	639
Total	2,122	3,504	2,412	4,203	2,328	4,555
Latin America:						
Argentina	13	--	11	--	6	--
Chile	--	--	14	--	20	--
Brazil	--	--	--	51	--	51
Venezuela	--	--	--	--	--	242
Total	13	--	25	51	26	293
North America:						
United States	767	33	1,412	38	1,909	45
Canada	276	20	250	30	207	39
Total	1,043	53	1,662	68	2,116	84
Asia:						
Japan	--	193	--	183	2	208
British Malaya	51	250	67	287	61	316
Total	51	443	67	470	63	524
Africa:						
Algeria	9	30	8	45	--	--
Morocco	263	--	242	--	385	--
Total	272	30	250	45	385	--
Other countries:						
New Zealand	111	--	143	--	--	--
Total reporting	3,612	4,030	4,560	4,837	4,918	5,460
Total non-reporting	742	761	782	780	1,415	558
Grand total	4,354	4,791	5,342	5,617	6,333	6,018

1/ 100-lb. bags.